

THE BARTON COUNTY DEMOCRAT
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GREAT BEND, KANSAS.

City and County.

"The mills of the gods grind slow,
But they get there, just the same."

"Of all bad things with which mankind are cursed,
Their own bad tempers surely are the worst."

"Is now the time, from day to day,
Walls forth his piteous note:
"Oh, whence will come the cash to pay
For my Spring overcoat?"

"He who has a thousand friends
Has not a friend to spare.
And he who has one enemy
Shall meet him everywhere."

D. C. Luse has a couple of children
very ill with the chicken pox.

This drizzling, drazzling, dripping,
dropping is death to drouths.

Mr. Oblennis, of the Ellinwood
Express, came up to the city Saturday.

A. G. Winberg has finished the
plumbing work in the Morrison hotel.

Chas. Andreae, from near Ellin-
wood, was in the city Saturday on busi-
ness.

Mrs. Wm. Zutavern has been quite
ill for some time, but is almost well
again.

C. F. Hays, one of Albert's busi-
ness men, was in the city Monday on
business.

Mrs. Cutler, of Beardstown, Ills.,
a sister of Mrs. Diefenbacher, is in
town visiting.

McIntosh says he is going to open
up a grocery in this city "when the
robins nest again."

W. C. Dalbey, of the Kanopolis
iron works, was in the city last week
in the interest of that company.

Miss Lena Lukey was in the city
Saturday, visiting friends. She is
teaching one of the country schools.

Frank Patterson, Sr., is preparing
to go back to Ohio in a few days,
presumably to pick a "buckeye badge."

A large number of people are ex-
pected in this city next week from
Missouri, to buy Barton county lands.

A gentleman from Hoisington
claims that the Mo. Pacific dispatch-
er's office had been moved to that
point.

There was a dance at Claflin Friday
night, which was largely attended
both by Claflinites and people from
abroad.

Sheriff Wilson does not propose to
let his wards languish in jail for want
of proper exercise as long as there is
something they can be put at.

L. S. Howard, of Eureka township,
was in town Friday. The farmers in
his neighborhood are ploughing and
getting ready for spring work.

President Sanders, of the Central
college, has gone to Fort Scott to at-
tend to business in connection with
the Normal college at that point.

R. G. Yetton, of Albert, returned
from Hamilton county last week
where he has taken a claim and
proved up on it, after living on it six
months.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Moses, of
Chicago, accompanied by Miss Sadie
Moses, of Sedalia, Mo., are in the
city visiting "Grandma" Moses and
other relatives.

John Wesley Horine and Helen
M. Shellman, daughter of Mrs. Coch-
rane of this city, were married last
week; Squire Crummack performed
the ceremony.

A letter from Mrs. Jet Albright
(formerly Zilpha Jones) informs us
that they are now at La Plata, Mo.,
where Mr. Albright is proprietor of
the La Plata hotel.

Farmers from all parts of the
county report that the outlook for a
big crop of wheat the coming season
very good. Barton, the banner county
of the state is bound to lead.

If Barton county's wheat crop is
large the coming season and the
Great Bend baby boom keeps up its
lick we are bound to get there Eli,
and don't you never doubt it.

At district No. 4, in Liberty town-
ship, on February 17th, an oyster
social will be given for the benefit of
Rev. Mr. Pitkin. Everybody is in-
vited, and a big time is anticipated.

J. W. Irwin, wife and family, ar-
rived last week from North Eng-
lish, Iowa. Mrs. Irwin is a daugh-
ter of T. H. Butler of this city.
They come from about six feet of
snow, and are wonderfully pleased
with sunny Kansas.

Max Shaffer has gone east on a
visit.

Miss Norton is in the New York
store again.

Mrs. Braning, of Buffalo township,
is quite sick.

Mrs. Jesse Chappel is pronounced
out of danger.

Mrs. T. H. Ayars has been quite ill
for several days.

Frank Kiplinger has gone to At-
chison for a visit.

D. N. Heizer has gone to Kansas
City and other points east.

Miss Flora Smith is with Mrs. Lee
again, in the Ladies' Bazar.

Eggs are dropping in price. They
fell from 20 to 15 cents a dozen.

Mr. Bochomble, of Ellinwood, was
to be seen on our streets Monday fore-
noon.

Mrs. B. Negbaur is in Wichita,
called there by the sickness of her
brother.

The ladies of the M. E. Aid Society
will give a supper on Washington's
birthday.

This is court week, and the hotels
are crowded with people who are here
to attend court.

Another pleasant Sunday can be
recorded in the great book of Kan-
sas' beauties of climate.

Two thousand pounds of queens-
ware arrived Monday morning over the
Mo. Pacific for the Morrison hotel.

James Johnson, a stockman of Em-
poria, purchased two car loads of
fancy cattle through Sumners &
Clayton.

C. Sapuells has gone east on busi-
ness. He will soon engage in business
in this city again, but on a larger
scale than heretofore.

L. B. Coss was down from Clarence
Friday, looking as fat and lazy as
usual. He says it is the first time he
has been to town this year.

"Yes, I'm a good dancer," said a
barber, as he sheared off the blonde
locks of a customer. "See me clip
the light fantastic tow."

The Union meetings will be con-
tinued in the M. E. church this
week. The meetings are becoming
more attractive each week.

C. W. Murphy, who has been act-
ing for Geo. Young in the Farmers'
& Merchants' bank, is at his old post
once more in the office of D. N.
Heizer.

On Saturday evening, of this week,
the question of free trade vs. pro-
tection, will be discussed in school
district No. 40, in Clarence township.
Congress will probably be wired as
to the result of the debate, and gov-
ern itself accordingly. Without any
joking, it will be worth your while to
attend this debate if you can.

"When you call on sister Clara,
Mr. Featherly," said Bobby, "you
never stay later than 12 o'clock, do
you?" "No, indeed, Bobby, and
often not so late as that." "That's
what pa said. He told me that there
was no danger of your staying later
than a quarter to 12, because the
saloons close up at 12."

The occupants of offices in second
story of the Allen-Hubbard block
are complaining of many small school
children going up one stair way, run-
ning back and forth through the hall
and then down the other stair way.
This has been kept up all winter, and
the office men are getting on the "war-
path."

A Rattlesnake was lately discovered
carrying off a half grown turkey near
Waukeena, Florida, and two dogs
were set upon it. It struck both ani-
mals, and both died, but the turkey
was released unharmed, which is proof
that snakes do not poison their own
food. The snake killed was six feet
seven inches long and had fifteen rat-
tles.

A certain Great Bend real
estate agent cured his wife of what
he considered a nuisance. It hap-
pened about like this: He had been
carrying shoes back and forth from a
store for her, but she was not satisfied
with the fit. On this occasion he
ordered the shoes to be delivered. At
the supper table his better half in-
quired: "Did you order the coal and
my shoes as I requested?" "Yes,"
says he (looking out of the window),
"there is a wagon backing up to the
door now, but it is too dark to see
whether it has the coal or the shoes." The
real estate business has suddenly
revived and he does not return home
till 10 p. m.

The school boy grinneth in his
sleeve as he contemplateth the show
windows and thinketh of how he will
roll the inmost soul of the girl who
would not swap gum with him, by
sending her a valentine.

The meeting held by the natural
gas people Saturday night was quite
interesting. Everything is going
ahead as rapidly as possible. There
will not be very much done until the
machinery for boring arrives, which is
expected here daily.

The Relief Corps met Saturday and
installed Mrs. C. P. Townsley as Pres-
ident, and voted \$25 to the G. A.
R's., to help them pay their indebted-
ness to the Building Association. They
also extend their thanks to the
citizens for their Thanksgiving dona-
tion of \$4.44, that, together with a
good deal more has been expended
for clothes for the needy.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Young ar-
rived from the east Saturday eve-
ning, and George's familiar face can
be seen behind the railing at the
Farmers' & Merchants' bank. We
wish to extend the welcome of our
citizens to the bride and groom, and
personally to wish them a long life
and happiness. Mr. and Mrs. Young
are at present stopping at the Grand
Central.

Shooting Scrape(1)

Thursday night a man rushed up
to one of our officers, almost breath-
less, "There's a young man back on
the other street flourishing a revolver
and may shoot some one!" he said in
a scared tone. The officer called a
brother officer and they started to
disarm the "wild and woolly" youth.
When they found him he refused to
give the "gun" up, when they rushed
upon him to disarm him he drew the
revolver from his pocket as if to
shoot, when one of the peace guard-
ians grabbed it. To his disgust he
found the "gun" was made of wood
and some one had "worked him".
Our officers should be rewarded for
their bravery.

Teachers' Excursion.

Our city teachers have for some
time been contemplating a visit to the
public schools and State Normal, at
Emporia.

Low excursion rates have been se-
cured, and all citizens and teachers
who desire to take advantage of the
low rates and visit, either Emporia
or Topeka, are cordially invited to
join the excursion.

Every progressive teacher in the
county now has an opportunity to
visit the State Normal at very little
expense. It will pay every teacher
500 per cent. on the investment.
The rates, however, are not for
teachers only. All others are cordi-
ally invited to join the excursion.
Persons who desire to join the ex-
cursion can make arrangements with
any one of our city teachers.

Silver Wedding.

At the silver wedding anniversary
of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Jones, on the
evening of January 28th, the follow-
ing presents were received:

From Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Allen
and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Patterson,
elegant sugar bowl; Mr. and Mrs. J.
V. Brinkman, jelly dish; Mr. and
Mrs. D. C. Luce, silver butter dish;
Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Dodge, set tea-
spoons; Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Hale,
syrup pitcher; Mr. and Mrs. Geo.
McGinnis, (of Larned) cake stand;
Mrs. Mahala Allison, butter dish;
Miss Josie Yutler, gold cravat pin
and silver thimble; Mr. W. P.
Thompson, napkin rings; Mr. P. J.
Hills, spoon holder; Mr. Jacob Zim-
mer, berry dish; Mr. and Mrs. Jet Al-
bright, (La Plata, Mo.,) butter dish.

A "Bad" Devil.

About one month ago the "devil"
of the Bazine Register office became
dissatisfied with his lot and wanted
to create a breeze. It seems by recent
developments he has done so. The
first wave was started when he ran
off with Miss Grace Childres, a young
school girl living near Bazine. They
went to Great Bend and from there to
Holyrood, where they were married,
and the young man, Frank Niles by
name, purchased the Holyrood En-
terprise. A warrant, charging the
young man with perjury, was subse-
quently sworn out by the young lady's
father. Niles learned of it by some
means, and taking a livery team, left
for parts unknown, and now the
liveryman has another warrant out
for the couple. When overtaken by
the officers, the girl will probably be

spanked and sent home to her par-
ents and Niles sent to the reform
school. The Register office must have
exerted a bad influence over the
"devil."—McCracken Enterprise.

**The Arkansas Valley Water
Power Again.**

As thinking people are investigating
this subject, they are becoming con-
vinced that it is practicable. We have
an abundant supply of water and we
have the fall—six or seven feet per
mile. A pipe is the only correct thing
by which it may be conducted to where
it is needed. Since writing my former
article quite a number of persons have
suggested various other ways of con-
ducting the water from the source to
the turbine wheels. I am glad to find
a variety of thoughts upon the sub-
ject. Everybody should appoint him-
self a committee on the subject and do
some intelligent thinking; as a motive
to thought we should consider the im-
mense advantage gained by such a
power. "Necessity is the mother of
invention" and we are solid on the
necessity part of this matter.

There are a number of gentlemen in
our midst, who are civil and ma-
chinal engineers and experts in re-
gard to these matters and I would be
glad to have them make some estimates
in regard to the horse power of water
through the given length of pipe (say 7
miles) with a fall of six and one-half
feet per mile, inside diameter of pipe
three feet, with compound siphon later-
als connected with the wells at the
source; allowing the surface of the wa-
ter in the wells to be eight feet from
the surface of the ground, the lateral
pipes to be three inches in diameter,
and in number sufficient to supply the
main pipe, calculations might also be
made for a two-foot pipe with similar
conditions. Friction of water the en-
tire distance to be considered. We must
then find the cost of iron main pipe of
the different diameters by correspond-
ing with manufacturers. While the gas
well is going down we must have
another iron in the fire. Turn on the
water. L. B.

Now that the great railways of
Kansas have decided to encourage emi-
gration to this state by giving excur-
sion rates during the coming spring,
the spring boom is assured, if there was
ever any doubt of it. Every enterpris-
ing town in Kansas will take occasion
to advertise itself anew and these ex-
cursions will no doubt be the means of
adding thousands of settlers and mil-
lions of capital to Kansas.—Hutchinson
News.

Probably the boy never lived who,
having a drum, did not burst it to
see what made the music. But Ver-
mont has the champion boy. He
broke his drum because he wanted to
see the drum core that his father
spoke of.

Notice of Voters.

The registration books for 1888 are
now open at the GRAPHIC office, and
voters can register at any time be-
tween the hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and
6 o'clock p. m. WILL E. STOKES,
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